Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 07 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 08 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 06 Feb 2023 at 14:28 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for rather changeable conditions, lower for cloud amounts each day.

Headline for Tuesday 07 Feb 2023: Cloudy with occasional light rain and summit snow gradually dying out, northwest brightening.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 07 Feb 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Dull	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Drizzle	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	40%	60%	60%	30%	10%	10%

Forecast for Tuesday 07 Feb 2023

Weather: Overcast morning and early afternoon with occasional light rain and drizzle, with snow above 1200m lowering 900m. Drier sunnier conditions reaching Mull and northwest Lochaber during the afternoon but these clearer conditions not reaching most other areas until after dusk

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10% rising 80% in the brighter weather reaching the northwest later.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud at 450-750m with occasionally poor visibility below the cloud in precipitation, clearing in the northwest to become patchy above 1000m with good visibility

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	34/43 SW	34/43 SW	19/24 SW	12/15 SW	13/17 SW	22/28 SW	24/31 SW	28/37 S	31/41 S
900	25/35 SW	23/32 SW	14/19 SW	6/9 W	9/13 SW	14/20 SW	18/25 SW	20/29 SW	22/33 S
600	34/43 SW	32/41 SW	17/21 SW	8/10 SW	9/13 SW	15/21 SW	19/26 SW	22/30 SW	27/38 S
300	17/27 SW	15/25 SW	8/14 SW	4/7 S	5/8 SW	8/12 SW	9/16 S	11/20 S	13/24 S
Glen	13/26 SW	13/27 SW	6/13 W	3/6 SW	4/8 W	6/13 SW	5/13 SW	6/17 SW	8/21 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-9	-0/-9	-0/-6	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-10	-3/-10	-3/-12	-4/-13
900	2/-5	2/-5	2/-3	1/-2	1/-3	1/-5	-0/-6	-1/-7	-1/-8
600	4/-3	4/-3	4/-1	3/-0	3/-0	3/-2	2/-4	2/-4	2/-5
300	6/2	6/2	5/3	5/3	5/4	6/3	4/1	4/0	4/-0
Glen	7/4	7/4	7/5	6/6	7/6	7/6	6/4	5/3	5/3
Freezing Level*	1200m	1300m	1200m	1000m	900m	800m	800m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Main uncertainty on Tuesday is the extent of any improvement in the afternoon.

Forecast for Wednesday 08 Feb 2023
Weather: A cloudy day. Mainly dry morning and early afternoon, the odd spot of drizzle, then rain with snow above 900m crossing quickly from the northwest from mid afternoon, heavy for a time, accompanied by stormy conditions. The rain turning to snow down to 500m briefly in the evening before clearer weather with scattered snow showers arrives.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 50 gusts 75mph, perhaps 60 gusts 90mph for a short time mid to late afternoon then westerly 35 gusts 50mph in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% falling 10% in the afternoon, then increasing 60% during the evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud at 600-900m lowering 450-700m during the rain and snow in the afternoon then breaking and lifting somewhat during the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 Celsius falling to Plus 2 in the evening.
At 800m: Plus 2 falling to Minus 3 during the evening.
Freezing level: 1000m falling to 450m in the evening.

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